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Norfolk Commissioner of the Revenue Now Accepting Applications for Real Estate Tax Relief for Disabled or Senior Citizens

March 3, 2006 - Norfolk's Commissioner of the Revenue, Sharon M. McDonald, is now accepting applications for Real Estate Tax Relief for Senior and/or Disabled Norfolk Citizens.

The Real Estate Tax Relief for Disabled or Senior Citizens offers to help reduce or eliminate the real estate taxes for qualifying disabled or senior citizen homeowners. The exemption is granted on an annual basis. Over 3,500 households were offered real estate tax relief in 2005.

To qualify for Real Estate Tax Relief:

- You must be 65 years of age or totally and permanently disabled;
- You must live in the property to be exempted;
- Your combined income of owners and all relatives living in home cannot exceed \$50,000 per year; and
- Your net worth, exclusive of the home, cannot exceed \$200,000.

Representatives will be at various satellite sites throughout the City of Norfolk to provide assistance in filling out the applications. Please call 441-1502 for dates and times. The deadline to submit applications is June 1st.

To receive an application or for more information, contact program coordinator Carolyn Lawrence at (757) 441-1502, or Sharon M. McDonald, Commissioner of the Revenue, at (757) 664-7888. Citizens may also visit the Real Estate Tax Relief office in the Tidewater Tech Building, 922 W. 21st St. Information, including application forms, is also available at the Commissioner of the Revenue website <http://www.norfolk.gov/Revenue>.

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